Investment Bank of India Ltd. (IIBI Ltd.) for the years 1998-99, 1999-2000 and 2000-2001 are as under:

(Rs. in crores)

Institution	Disbursement			Net NPAs		
	1998-99	1999-2000	2000-2001	1998-1999	1999-2000	2000-2001
IDBI	14470	17059	17498	6490	7675	8371
IFCI LTD.	4829	3272	2121	4258	4103	3937
ICICI LTD.	19225	25836	31965	3733	3959	2982
EXIM BANK	1271	1730	1896	407	374	407
IIBI LTD.	1688	1440	1710	480	641	662

As it is too early to exactly assess the conversion of loans disbursed during the last three years by above institutions into NPAs, the details of Net NPAs of the institutions as a whole has been furnished.

Amendments in Small Savings Rules

3138. SHRI DIPANKAR MUKHERJEE: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether in view of reduction in interest rates, there is any proposal under Government's consideration to amend the rules relating to P.O. Monthly Income Scheme, N.S.C. and P.P.F. Scheme, 1968; and

(b) if so, the details thereof indicating the present rate and the proposed rule in each case?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI BALASAHEB VIKHE PATIL): (a) and (b) The revised interest rates were notified on March 1, 2001, and the gazette notifications were tabled in Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha on April 20, 2001 and April 24, 2001 respectively.

NPAs on agricultural lending

3139. SHRI H.K. JAVARE GOWDA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is fact that Bank's NPAs has touched Rs. 72,000 crores;

(b) if so, whether it is inclusive of interest, as reported in Hindu dated the 29th July, 2001;

(c) the total amount due as NPA on agriculture lending;

(d) whether Government propose to take action against the Bank

officials, who sanctioned loans violating the lending rules and without taking proper security; and

(e) if so, the details of action taken against Bank officials?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI BALASAHEB VIKHE PATIL): (a) and (b) As per the provisional data available with Reserve Bank of India (RBI), the gross Non-Performing Assets (NPAs) of the scheduled commercial bank (nationalised banks, State Bank of India and its associate banks, private sector banks and foreign banks), as on 31st March, 2001 was Rs.61416 crores, inclusive of interest and penalty levied.

(c) As per the information available with RBI, the Gross NPAs of public sector banks towards agriculture, as on 31st March 2000, was Rs. 7450.05 crores.

(d) and (e) The banks generally examine staff accountability in loan cases that have become NPAs and take appropriate action wherever required.

Reconstitution of Board for Banking, Commercial and Financial Frauds

3140. SHRI K.B. KRISHNA MURTHY: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Board for Banking, Commercial and Financial frauds set up in 1997 recently been reconstituted by the Chief Vigilance Commissioner;

(b) whether the Board has only powers of advisory nature and has no executive nor investigating powers; and

(c) what role did the Board play in the probe of the recent stock market and the Unit Trust of India scams?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI BALASAHEB VIKHE PATIL): (a) Yes, Sir. The Advisory Board on Bank, Commercial and Financial Fraud was reconstituted w.e.f. 01.07.2001.

(b) The Board's functions is only advisory in nature and it has no executive or investigating powers.